



Attorney Docket No.: 59801 (47793)

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

APPLICANT: Masahiro Kimura, et al.

EXAMINER: Not Yet Assigned

U.S.S.N.: 10/649,578

GROUP: 2621

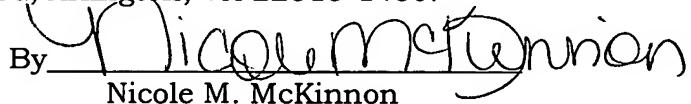
FILED: August 26, 2003

FOR: A DATA TRANSFERRING APPARATUS FOR TRANSFERRING LIQUID
EJECTION DATA AND A LIQUID EJECTING APPARATUS

.....

CERTIFICATE OF EXPRESS MAILING (Label No.: EV 317947692 US)

I hereby certify that this correspondence is being deposited with the United States Postal Service "Express Mail Post Office to Addressee" service under 37 C.F.R. section 1.10, on December 9, 2003 and is addressed to the Mail Stop MISSING PARTS, Commissioner for Patents, P.O. Box 1450, Arlington, VA 22313-1450.

By 
Nicole M. McKinnon

.....

Mail Stop MISSING PARTS
Commissioner for Patents
P.O. Box 1450
Arlington, VA 22313-1450

Sir:

INFORMATION DISCLOSURE STATEMENT

Pursuant to 37 C.F.R. §§ 1.97 and 1.98, applicant(s) hereby submit(s) an Information Disclosure Statement for consideration by the Examiner.

I. LIST OF PATENTS, PUBLICATIONS OR OTHER INFORMATION

The patents, publications or other information submitted for consideration by the Office are listed on Form PTO-1449, attached hereto.

Inventor(s): Masahiro Kimura, et al.
Attorney Docket No.: 59801 (47793)
Filed: August 26, 2003
Page 2 of 4

II. COPIES

a. X Submitted herewith is a legible copy of (i) each U.S and foreign patent; (ii) each publication or that portion which caused it to be listed; and (iii) all other information or that portion which caused it to be listed.

b. _____ This application relies, under 35 U.S.C. § 120, on the earlier filing date of prior application Serial No. _____, filed on _____. The following references were submitted to, and/or cited by, the Office in the prior application (s) and, therefore, are not required to be provided in this application.

III. CONCISE EXPLANATION OF THE RELEVANCE
(check at least one box)

a. _____ Except as may be indicated below in (b), all of the patents, publications or other information are in the English language or were cited in an English language Search Report, a copy of which is attached hereto (concise explanation not required).

b. X A concise explanation of the relevance of all patents, publications or other information listed that is not in the English language is as follows:
An English translation of the Abstract of JP 05-334213 is attached.

c. _____ The following additional information is provided for the Examiner's consideration:

FEES

IV. THIS IDS IS BEING FILED UNDER 37 C.F.R. § 1.97(b)
(check one box)

a. _____ within three months of the filing date of a national application (37 C.F.R. § 1.97(b) (1). No fee or certification is required.

b. _____ within three months of the date of entry of the national stage as set forth in §1.491 in an international application (37 C.F.R. § 1.97(b) (2). No fee or certification is required.

Inventor(s): Masahiro Kimura, et al.
Attorney Docket No.: 59801 (47793)
Filed: August 26, 2003
Page 3 of 4

c. Before the mailing date of a first Action on the merits (37 C.F.R. § 1.97(b) (3)). No fee or certification is required. In the event that a first Office Action on the merits has been issued, please consider this IDS under 37 C.F.R. § 1.97(c) and see the certification under 37 C.F.R. § 1.97(e) below, or, if no certification has been made, charge our deposit account a fee in the amount of \$180.00 as required by 37 C.F.R. § 1.17(p).

V. THIS IDS IS BEING FILED UNDER 37 C.F.R. § 1.97(c):
(check one box)

before the mailing date of a Final Office Action under 37 C.F.R. § 1.113 (See 37 C.F.R. § 1.97(c) (1)) or before the mailing date of a Notice of Allowance under 37 C.F.R. § 1.311 (See 37 C.F.R. § 1.97(c) (2)).

a. No certification; therefore, a fee in the amount of \$180.00 is required by 37 C.F.R. § 1.17(p).
or
b. See the certification below. No fee is required.

VI. STATEMENT UNDER 37 C.F.R. § 1.97(e) (check only one box)

The undersigned hereby states that

a. each item of information contained in the IDS was cited in a communication from a foreign Patent Office in a counterpart foreign application not more than three months prior to the filing of this IDS; or

b. no item of information contained in the IDS was cited in a communication from a foreign Patent Office in a counterpart foreign application or, to the best of my knowledge after making reasonable inquiry, was known to any individual designated in 37 C.F.R. § 1.56(c) more than three months prior to the filing of this statement.

c. Some of the items of information were cited in a communication from a foreign Patent Office. As to this information, the undersigned certifies that each item of information contained in the IDS was cited in a communication from a foreign Patent Office in a counterpart foreign application not more than three months prior to the filing of this IDS. As to the remaining information, the undersigned hereby certifies that no item of this remaining

Inventor(s): Masahiro Kimura, et al.
Attorney Docket No.: 59801 (47793)
Filed: August 26, 2003
Page 4 of 4

information contained in the IDS was cited in a communication from a foreign Patent Office in a counterpart foreign application or, to the best of my knowledge after making reasonable inquiry, was known to any individual designated in 37 C.F.R. § 1.56(c) more than three months prior to the filing of this statement.

 Please charge Deposit Account No. 04-1105 in the amount of \$180.00 for the above-indicated fee. A triplicate copy of this paper is attached.

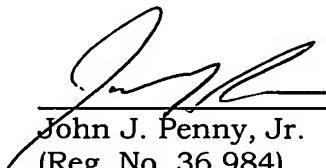
X No fee is required.

If the Examiner has any questions concerning this IDS, he/she is requested to contact the undersigned. If it is determined that this IDS has been filed under the wrong rule, the PTO is requested to consider this IDS under the proper rule, with a petition if necessary, and charge the appropriate fee to Deposit Account No. **04-1105**.

Respectfully submitted,

By:

Date: December 9, 2003
Customer No. 21,874
357488


John J. Penny, Jr.
(Reg. No. 36,984)
Attorney for Applicants
EDWARDS & ANGELL, LLP
P. O. Box 9169
Boston, MA 02209
Tel: (617) 517-5549

Information Disclosure Statement		Atty. Docket No: 59801 (47793)	Serial No. 10/649,578
Applicant(s): Masahiro Kimura, et al.			
PTO - 1449 	Filing Date August 26, 2003	Art Unit Not Yet Assigned	

UNITED STATES PATENT DOCUMENTS

Exam. Initials	Ref. No.	Document Number	Date	Inventor(s)	Class	Filing Date

FOREIGN PATENT DOCUMENTS

Exam. Initials	Ref. No.	Document Number	Date	Country or Office	Class	Translation
	BA	05-334213	12/17/93	JAPAN	G06F	ABSTRACT

OTHER DOCUMENTS (INCL. TITLE, AUTHOR, DATE, PAGES, ETC)

Exam. Initials	Ref. No.	

Examiner:	Date:
-----------	-------